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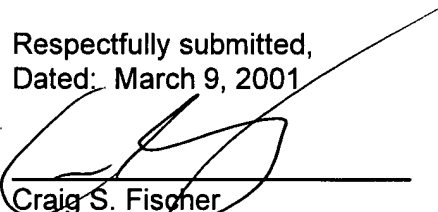
Attached hereto is a substitute for Form PTO-1449 listing documents believed relevant to the subject application. It is respectfully requested that these documents be made of record and an initialed copy of each form be returned to the undersigned.

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It is believed that this disclosure complies with the requirements of 37 CFR 1.56, 1.97, and 1.98, and the manual of Patent Examining Procedures, section 609 and 707.05. If for some reason the Examiner considers otherwise, it is respectfully requested that the undersigned be called so that any deficiencies can be remedied.

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Respectfully submitted,
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